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County Convention.

The Democrat of Franklin county, irrespective of any differences of opinion that may have temporarily divided them in the past, are earnestly requested to meet at the Courthouse in Winchester on the

FIRST MONDAY IN JUNE.

to appoint delegates to the State Democratic Convention which meets in Nashville the 18th of June, and transact such other business as may come before them.

Let every Democrat, especially those living in the country, be sure to attend;

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Chairman County Ex. Committee.

Ben. Butler will be a delegate to the Democratic National Convention at Chicago.

Charles Ford, who assassinated Jessie James, succumbed a few days since. Served him right.

Rev. W. H. Darnell, a Cumberland Presbyterian preacher at Chattanooga, has become deranged.

The Grand Commandery of Knights Templar of Tennessee meets in Nashville on the 20th inst.

The bill to repeal the iron clad oath passed the House, last Wednesday, as amended by the Senate.

All the County Democratic Conventions held so far to appoint delegates to Nashville endorse Bate for reelection.

It is predicted—the prediction being based upon the movement of the planes—that this year is likely to prove one of eclipses, earthquakes and scourges.

Andy Carden, a popular young farmer of the third circuit of Coffee county, committed suicide recently by shooting himself in the head with a rifle.

A daily (except Sundays) will be published at Monteagle during the assembly. The executive committee have secured the services of Rev. W. H. Graves as editor.

Judah P. Benjamin, ex-Secretary of State of the Southern Confederacy and late Queen's Counsel, London, died at his residence in Paris, a few days since, aged 72 years.

It is stated that Major A. L. Landis, candidate for Congress, in a speech at Manchester, a few days since, announced himself as in favor of total prohibition of the liquor traffic.

The sale of thoroughbred colts at Belle Meade, near Nashville, recently "panned out" well. Forty-six in all were sold, bringing \$23,400. The highest price paid was \$2,000.

Louisville gives notice that she will have none of the Mother Hubbard dressed women upon her streets, and that the law will be enforced by arrest and fine.—[Chattanooga Times.]

Huzza for Louisville.

Tullahoma never tires in the way of enterprise. Work has been commenced on the Female College there. The building will consist of one large study hall, three recitation rooms, music, art and cloak rooms, balconies above and below.

Key West, New Orleans and Galveston have quarantined against Havana and Vera Cruz because of the existence of yellow fever at those ports, and as a consequence the mail service between the points mentioned has been discontinued by the Postoffice Department.

The sale of Jersey cattle by the Tennessee Jersey Breeders Association at Belle Meade, several days since, is said to have been the most successful ever held in the South. The total amount of sales was \$18,575. Average on 43 females, \$382.50; average on 5 bulls, \$249.00.

Chancellor Merritt, of Nashville, has ordered the Chancery Court Clerk of Davidson county to execute to J. J. Vertrees a "power of attorney to vote and represent 1,236 shares of the stock in the Nashville American, in all matters, transactions and affairs of that paper."

An association to work up the "good road" question has been organized in Robertson county. The object is to discuss and "agree upon the best plans and present them to the Legislature to be enacted into laws." We suggest the organization of a similar organization by the farmers of Franklin county.

The Morrison tariff bill was killed in the House last week. The vote stood, 150 yeas and 155 nays. Three Republicans voted nay, and 41 Democrats voted yea. All the Democratic members from Tennessee voted nay. Of 133 Democrats, 152 were in favor of the bill. In other words, only 41 Democrats were opposed to the bill. Thus tariff legislation is ended for the present session of Congress.

Good Throwing.

Henry Darwin, a negro boy in our employ, and aged about 18 or 19 years, was with us a-fishing on the river a few days since. He discovered an owl in the top of a tree at least 100 feet high. He picked up a stone, and at the first throw crippled it so that the bird could barely fly to another tree. A second stone brought the owl to the ground. It measured 6 feet 5 inches from tip to tail. Goliath of old would have strolled with you to final success.—EX.

Have Reason Not Fanaticism.

From Hall's Journal of Health.)

The following remarks, taken from Nashville Banner, are so appropriate to this season of intense rate temperature, so perfectly conservative as to those who would have too much whisky and those who would have none; that we give them a place in the Home Journal, with our unqualified endorsement:

The prohibition advocates have one glaring fault, that is characteristic of all pro-slaves, and of many earnest and honest men, which is doing the cause of temperance no good. Whenever any one suggests to them that they are running ahead of public sentiment, going to extremes before the people are ready for extreme measures, although the measures may be right and desirable if attainable, at once they turn upon such advocates and charge them with sympathy for the whisky men. Because, however, these temperance advocates do not see the present practicability of prohibition, they are branded as wolves in sheep's clothing; it is charged that they only pretend temperance opinions for the purpose of better aiding the enemy. Indeed, we have heard of some extremists who were bold to declare that such conservative temperance men were in the hire of the whisky interests. This method of forwarding any movement will result opposite to the endeavor. It is the height of folly to charge men with being against you for no other reason than that they fail to go to the length of your own opinions and convictions. By such a course you disgust conservative men, and not only lose their sympathies for the cause and the influence of such a sympathy, but lose all their assistance when the final struggle comes.

Independent, thinking and conservative men hesitate to help fanatics and bigots in any cause, however good, for the reason that great disaster often results from the pressing of good measures to extremes, than in permitting present conditions to remain. "The worst of madmen is a saint run mad"; and the most oppressive governments are those conducted by religion or moral fanatics.

A big revival has been going on at Derryburg for several weeks, and there have been about 200 conversions. Murfreesboro also has a big revival meeting which has resulted in nearly 200 conversions.

The 100th anniversary of the Mecklenburg declaration of independence will be celebrated at Charlotte, N. C., on the 20th of this month.

Friends and Friends.

There are friends and friends in this world, young men, and it behoves you to select with care those whom you are to make your intimates and those whom you are to merely consider in a friendly light. It is no easy matter for you to do this. You will certainly meet with disappointments in your selections, but it is far better to have made the enquiry, or, as by it you will gain valuable experience. Young man, there are people in this world, who knowing your weakness for some pleasure or some failing in appetite, will enter to that failing and weakness simply to have your company, being as you certainly are when such is the case, so far above them intellectually and morally that your company gives to them an air of respectability which could not, under other circumstances, possess; yet while it does this for them it lowers you. You will not perceive it at first, but a continuance in their society will have its effect on the community at large, and, before you are aware of it, you will find your prestige gone and your influential friends about to give you that nippet which spreads a young man's face to see in life. You cannot expect to go along good society or hold an honorable position in business if you are in the habit of associating with those who frequent dice houses, gambling rooms, and other places of questionable reputation. You cannot expect to hold the confidence and esteem of your employer, if you associate with those who make a practice of visiting such places as mentioned above. You will also find, when you have fallen, that those whose company you used to seek and with whom you used to join in their questionable pleasures, will be the very first to desert you in your trouble. They are fair-weather friends. You can tell them easily enough by their conversation. They never have a positive opinion, and while they never neglect to talk about a person who is absent, yet when they meet that person they are cordial and friendly—in fact, they are too much so.

Young man, if you have gained the friendship of one who is positive in his opinions, who will go out of his way to give you a boost; who is ever ready to assist you by word, deed, or in a financial way; who despises the society of the low, though polite to those beneath his moral or intellectual dignity; who makes few intimate friends, and but one confidential friend, and that one you have found a true friend, and one on whom you can depend in time of trouble even better, if that could be, than when prospectus smiles upon you. A genuine, sincere friend is one who "weeps with you when you weep, and laughs with you when you laugh." You are a part of his very being, and an injury done to you is felt to be an injury done to himself. There is no half-way business about him. It is the whole or nothing. He will not hesitate to tell you your failings in a frank, straightforward manner, and will think you for doing the same by him. This kind of a friend is rare, and if you have such stick to him.

Young man, just sit down and look over the list of your so-called friends. How many fill the requirements of a true friend as described above? Have you one on the list? If you have, stick to him, even if you have to disregard all others. They must be satisfied with polite treatment, and should never be considered more than passing acquaintances. It may be hard to do this in some cases, but it is for your own interest and success in life that you do it, if by their association you are not made the better it would be nothing more or less than suicide to your future.

Friends by politeness—fair-weather friends—and true friends who are a help to you and who will strive with you to final success.—EX.

Standard Weights and Measures.

The following is a list of the standard weights or pounds per bushel of the different articles mentioned as adopted by the Nashville Board of Trade and used in all mercantile in buying and selling the articles listed:

Wheat 60

Shelled Corn 56

Corn in Ear 70

Corn in Shuck 54

Rye 56

Oats 48

Buckwheat 47

Flax Seed 44

Hemp Seed 46

Millet Seed 48

Hungarian Seed 48

Blue Grass Seed 44

Herbs Grass Seed 44

Orchard Grass Seed 44

Buckwheat 45

Dried Apples 26

Unpeeled Peaches 36

Pealed Peaches 30

Oopus 50

Salt 50

Stone Coal 80

Bone 20

Plastering Tint 8

Turpentine 58

Unshod Lime 80

Corn Meal 50

Pearls 26

BULBS FOR MEASURING CORN.

Slashed Corn—Measure the length, width and depth of the ear or wagon wheel in inches; multiply these dimensions together; take one-half of the product and divide it by 2150. The result will be the number of bushels of shelled corn.

Corn in Shuck—Multiply the dimensions as above; take one-third of the product and divide by 2150, and the result will be the number of bushels.

The Maury Democrat says the old Whigs who have been acting with the Democratic party since the war, are ten and tried men, and have acted

from principle, and cannot be caught or influenced by the cheap talk of such speeches as were made at the Republican convention.

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A bill has been introduced in Congress, providing that it shall be unlawful to collect fare on any conveyance throughout the United States when passengers are unable to procure a seat.

Talma will deliver the baccalaureate sermon at the commencement exercises of the University of Tennessee, at Knoxville, June 8.

There are in the United States 213 Presbyterians, 12 Methodists, 7 Congregationalists, 14 Baptists, 16 Episcopalians, 5 Unitarians, 4 Catholics, and 1 Jew.

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